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Buy a Home of Your Own in the beautiful CAPITOL HILL ADDITION. We have recently purchased the seventy acres of the old Brevard school, and have platted it in acre lots with wide streets and alleys. This property is nicely situated, being within from 8 to 10 blocks of the center of the business portion of Ada. We expect to give you a chance to own a valuable lot in the capital of Pontotoc county by selling these lots on the installment plan.

Ada is now the county seat, and has a great future before it. We have three railroads with a prospect of two more, a cotton compress, a cotton oil mill, a pressed brick plant, and numerous smaller industries. Also have a large cement plant under construction which will employ 250 men, there is under construction a canning factory and the city is spending \$40,000 on additional water works.

WHY SHOULD ADA NOT GROW?

CAPITOL HILL lies northeast of the business portion of the city, and has a fine view of the city. Plenty of good water at from 12 to 40 feet.

If you expect to grow up with the town now is the time to GET IN ON THE GROUND FLOOR.

We also do a general Real Estate and Insurance business. See us for any business in our line. Office first door west of the Harris hotel.

Beard & Blanks Real Estate and Insurance

BELIGERENT DELEGATES EXCHANGE INK BOTTLES

The rapid and informal exchange of inkstands between Mr. Haskell of Muskogee and Mr. Baker of Wewoka during the debate on railroad and public corporations and the appearance of the sheriff of Logan county carrying papers from the Supreme Court of the Greer county case, were among Saturday's incidents of the constitutional convention.

The former grew out of a sharp parliamentary tilt between the gentlemen during which he passed both ways. The interference by convention officers stopped the affray and aside from the splashing of ink no harm was done.

The session was given high tension immediately after opening by Mr. Ledbetter and Mr. Haskell delivering separate arraignments of the partisan press for alleged misrepresentation of the convention's action, and attitude toward the Jim Crow provision, and resented what they termed as an implication that the convention had "laid down for the purpose of deceiving the people."

Mr. Haskell charged that a press bureau was maintained by the South McAlester syndicate in the interest of the coal trust, the lumber trust and carpet baggers comprising an element which wanted no statehood, for the purpose of misrepresenting the convention composed entirely of Democrats.

The Sequoyans so earnestly referred to by them, he declared, are standing for statehood for the two territories.

An echo of the Greer county case

was the service secured on the delegates by the Supreme court through the Sheriff of Logan county deputized for that purpose. The sheriff entered the hall late in the afternoon with 111 printed notices, saying the case would be further heard by the Supreme court one week hence. The convention suspended work to allow the personal and unusual service to be completed on the sixty-five delegates who were present.

The special legal committee appointed under the Haskell resolution to investigate the Greer county case and submit recommendations, will report to the convention that in its opinion the supreme court has no jurisdiction in the matter, as the division of Greer county or any other county is purely political and when ratified by the people is unmovable.

It will recommend that the convention, out of respect to the supreme court, delegate attorneys to announce the convention's appearance and represent it in legal form next Saturday.

It is indicated that two reports will come from the committee on primary elections, one ordering mandatory primaries for all parties in the first as well as following elections, and the other leaving it optional with the political parties. The former will as far as practicable follow the primary laws.

Touching this question the judiciary committee of the convention recently gave an opinion that the convention had no power to handle the first election, as they had been fixed by the enabling act. In the first named report provision is to be made for nominating United States Senators by the primary system.

CULBERSON BOOMED FOR

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION

Washington, Feb 18.—Several newspapers throughout the country will print in the morning, it is understood, a story from Washington relating some efforts that are being made to give momentum to the idea that the Democratic party should go South for its presidential nominee. In all of them, perhaps, the name of Senator Culberson will be used the most conspicuously. The occasion of these stories is that a Southern man, who is now engaged in the publication business in Washington and New York, has been in Washington several days trying to vitalize the "Southern idea" movement, and that he has proposed Senator Culberson as the fit embodiment of it. In one of the letters this gentleman has written recently in his efforts to foster the movement he said:

"I am quite convinced that the time has come when the South should put forth a candidate for the Presidency, and in all the South there is not a single man who measures up to the value of Senator Culberson. In this man is combined the beat in the life of the South, his politics in statecraft, his fitness for the direction of the affairs of the Nation. The South is entitled to the Presidency. I very much fear conditions are not such that we may elect a Democratic President, Northern or Southerner. However this may be, the nomination of a Southern Democrat for the Presidency is within the dictation of the Southern people. Moreover, the time has come when the South ought to present its candidate for the nomination and the choice of the South should be that of the Nation."

Senator Culberson is the man to nominate, it seems to me, although I am not wedded to any particular Southern man and Democrat. He is qualified from every aspect for the nomination, as well as for the election, and who is to say that a Southern man may not be elected the next President of the United States?

All this might be as important as it is interesting. Were it not for the fact that apparently no one is so much opposed to the idea as Senator Culberson himself. While not insensible to the compliment, Senator Culberson regards such talk as little better than folly. Those with whom he will discuss the matter know that he regards the effort to give the nomination to a Southern man as decidedly inopportune, to say the least.

R. E. BROWN,
Editor of the "Daily Times,"

Washington, D. C.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that can not be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Frank J. Cheney,
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. Gleason,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. Cheney & Co. Toledo, O.
Sold by all druggists.

Takes Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

How about buying some groceries from John Rinard
281 St.

Any one wanting to go to the Oklahoma Central R. R. please phone 31

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For SALE.—Three registered Durham bulls Cash or credit

U. G. Winn. 283 St w/41st

Sale is Over.

Anyone holding coupon tickets for goods bought of us on Feb 4th will be refunded the amount of their purchase if ticket is presented at our store.

E. L. Steed.

SHOES

We wish to remind every man, woman and child who reads this paper that we have the best selected and cheapest line of shoes in the Indian Territory.

Although leather is very high we retain the old price of \$1.50 on our Ward Southland Belle Shoes.

Our Southern Girl Shoe at \$2.50 has no equal, and our Autograph Line at \$2.50 stands in a class to itself as no equal has ever been found at the price.

The above brands are our "Specialty" Ladies' shoes. Ask to see them, we take pride in showing these shoes Why? Because they are such good values and we can stand behind them.

In Mens' shoes we make a specialty of \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes.

Men of Ada will put your time against ours and come to our store we will prove that these shoes cannot be duplicated anywhere.

Keep Your Eyes on This Space

Surprise Store

The People Who Put The Price Down

A SCORE DEAD, HUNDREDS HURT IN NEW YORK WRECK

New York, Feb 17.—Twenty dead, two fatally hurt and 145 others more or less seriously injured is the result of the wreck of an electric express train on the New York Central Railroad at 20th street and Webster avenue last night.

Of the large number injured fifty are, according to hospital and police reports, seriously hurt, and the death list may be increased within the next twenty-four hours.

Most of the others are suffering from lacerations or shock and will recover.

This was a day of investigation a inquiry by representatives of the District Attorney's office, the Coroner and the police. When daybreak came police lists of dead had increased eighteen, an hour afterward there were two more deaths reported and tonig it is believed two additional will be added to the list.

Have you seen the Dustless Sweep at Reed & Harrison's.

Good farm to rent and good team sell on time. U. G. Winn.

Ladies of Culture

should know that we have a new and elegant line of Eston, Hurlbut & Whitng's BOXED PAPER—ETRIES—the prettiest stationery we have ever bought. The use of good stationery is an evidence of refinement and quality, and we feel that we can please the most exacting.

We have Rogers & Gallet's, River's and Flinod's dainty and exquisite Perfumery, Scent Powders and Toilet Waters.

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Farm Loans. This company makes a specialty of negotiating loans on intermediate farms where restrictions have been removed and on dead Indian lands. You get aid to borrow and will outlast.
City Loans. We make loans on improved property or to build houses, barns, etc. We make monthly payments. Our facilities for financing city loans are the best.
Chattel Loans. Plenty of money to be had for Farmers in their land and crops at reasonable rates.
Abstracts. Great care and attention is given to the examination of abstracts and our work is done and our charges reasonable. Office maps are also to be had and information concerning your business is freely given.
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For United States Senator
HENRY M. FURMAN
M. L. TURNER

For Congress
CHARLEY D. CARTER
D. H. LINEBAUGH
F. W. SKILLERN
E. P. HILL

For State Treasurer
J. A. MENESEE

For Circuit Judge
EUGENE E. WHITE

For County and Probate Judge
J. P. WOOD

For Sheriff
ROBERT NESTER;
A. A. (GUS) BOBBITT
L. E. (LEM) MITCHELL
JAMES D. GAAR
J. E. (ED) FUSSELL

For County Clerk
C. A. (CHARLIE) POWERS
W. S. (SAM) KERR
H. WOODARD
M. F. DEW

For County Treasurer
J. C. GATES
C. K. DAVENPORT
J. K. SCROGGIN

For County Tax Assessor
C. C. HARGIS
W. H. NETTLES
GARY KITCHENS
A. L. MILES

For County Coroner
DR. JOHN W. DAVENPORT

For City Marshal
F. J. ETTER
W. C. BAILEY

For Constable Ada Precinct
CHARLES A. THOMAS
G. W. CULVER

Notice of the First Meeting of Creditors.

In the United States Court for the Northern District of the Indian Territory at Ada in the matter of Frisco Mercantile Co., bankrupt.

To the creditors of Frisco Mercantile Co., of Frisco, I T., in said tract a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the day of February 1907 the said Frisco Mercantile Co. was duly adjudged bankrupt and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at office of the Ada at 10:00 o'clock in the noon on the 27th day of February 1907 at which time the creditors will prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting.

This 16th day of February, 1907
T. P. Holt,
Referee in Bankruptcy

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite.

We prefer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to any other for our children, says Mr. L. J. Woodbury of Twining. "It has also done the work for us in colds and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For by G. M. Ramsey

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High Class Musical Event

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Mon., Feb. 18

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The quick relief from pain afforded by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm makes it a favorite with sufferers from rheumatism, sciatica, lame back, lumbago and deep seated and muscular pains. For Sale by G. M. Ramsey

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By depositing a part of your earnings. We take small amounts and treat you courteously.

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LOCAL NEWS

Tell Or Telephone It

If you have visitors and are not ashamed of them—phone number 4 or tell the reporter so. Do likewise if members of your family or neighbors depart or arrive. Don't be bashful.

We will make all Oklahoma Central trains from now on.

T. B. Kile & Son, 283 2t

Mrs. J. D. Gaar, and Mrs. A. J. Deaton this morning went to Hickory to see Mrs. E. A. Hardee who is dangerously sick.

Judge C. A. Galbraith left on business at Tecumseh.

There is nothing so cleanly as the Dustless Sweepers. See them at Reed & Harrison's.

Mrs. J. R. McCollum returned home from Sulphur this morning.

Mrs. W. B. Jones returned from Ross today.

The Cicilians are homefolks; encouraging them and the cause of good music by your presence at the opera house tonight.

The baby of Zill Coleman in North Ada died suddenly this morning after only two hours' sickness.

A marriage license was issued today to Henry Roland, aged 32, and Nora Bond, aged 22, both of Ada.

Miss Carnes of Stonewall is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Pete Rollow.

Mrs. W. T. Stotts with children, Miss Marjory and Master Clair, of South McAlester, are visiting her son, Professor W. A. Stotts, and wife.

For SALE.—A Cicilian Pianola (pianoplayer) good as new. Can be attached to any piano and plays any music better than an artist. 24 records go with it.

281-6t Dr. H. Browall.

A Lucky Purchase

SAVE \$1.00 A PAIR

We have just received a large shipment of Sample Shoes which we are putting on sale for less money than other merchants can buy them. We have these samples in all the fine grades of shoes in Men's, Boys', Women's and Children's in nothing but the latest styles.

CHAPMAN

The Shoe Man

COAL !

We now have a supply of McALESTER LUMP Coal. It will be sold for strictly CASH. No credit extended to anyone; drivers will collect.

CRYSTAL ICE and COAL COMPANY



Washington's Bullets

defeated the enemy. Our pellets vanquish trouble.

WE HAVE PILLS for every purpose. For headache, for indigestion, for nervousness, for malaria. They are of a standard equaling that of

ALL OUR DRUGS.

Don't try experiments with your health. Buy your medicines here where reliability is assured.

G. M. RAMSEY

DRUGGIST

(Successor to Clark Drug Co.)

Mrs. Ringold of Oklahoma City is stopping at Mrs. C. D. Price's.

Otis B. Weaver returned from a business trip to several points in the new state.

The M. K. & T. is building a water tank just south of the station.

Geo. Truett attended to matters in Stonewall.

Mrs. G. B. Bailey and Miss Bailey went to Atoka today.

Mandatory Primary Certain

Fresh advices from Guthrie indicate that the much debated mandatory primary for the first state election is a practical certainty. Such a provision has been prepared and is to be introduced in the constitutional convention today. Probably before the end of the week it will be passed.

It is practically settled that the date for holding the primaries will be the first Saturday in June, and the general election August 6.

Careless With Valuables.

That Mill Creek people are very careless about their valuables is evident from the following notice in The Mill Creek Times:

FOUND.—A large piece of coal weighing about fifteen ounces. Owner can have same by calling at this office, proving property and paying for this notice.

Cassidy at Ennis.

Ennis, Tex., Feb. 17.—Rev. M. A. Cassidy of Ada, I. T., an ex-locomotive engineer, commenced a ten days' religious meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association here today. He is being assisted by the local pastors in the city. There was one conversion today.

Enrollment Completed.

Muskogee, I. T., Feb. 17.—All work to date in enrolling Indians of the five tribes is finished, and Albert G. McLellan left today for Washington. He has been in charge of the enrollment division for the entire five tribes.

Residence Caught Fire.

Just before noon Mrs. G. M. Ramsey had quite a little fire scare at her home, she discovered the top of a heavy window curtain in the kitchen afire. After trying without speedy success to give the alarm by telephone, she and the servant resorted to a tub of water sitting handy and put it out themselves. Only small damage to curtain and wall paper resulted.

Actual Construction Begins.

Contractor Lunnen this afternoon began work in earnest on the waterworks extension by putting a force of laborers digging on the dam. Tuesday morning he expects a grading outfit which will make the dirt fairly fly.

Neglected Colds Threatened Life.

[From the Okiego Tribune.]

"Don't trifle with a cold," is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in the case of a child. Proper food, good ventilation, and dry, warm clothing are the proper safeguards against colds. If they are maintained through the changeable weather of autumn, winter and spring, the chances of a surprise from ordinary colds will be slight. But the ordinary cold will become severe if neglected, and a well established ripe cold is to the germs of diphtheria what honey is to the bee. The greatest menace to child life at this season of the year is he neglected cold."

Whether it is a child or adult, the cold slight or severe, the very best treatment that can be adopted is to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is safe and sure. The great popularity and immense sale of his preparation has been attained by its remarkable cures of this ailment. A cold never results in pneumonia when it is given. For sale by G. M. Ramsey.

Don't Put Off.

until tomorrow what you can do today. If you are suffering from a torpid liver, or constipation, don't wait until tomorrow to get help.

Buy a bottle of Herbine and get that liver working right. Promptness about health saves many sick spells. "Mrs. Ida Gresham, Point, Texas, writes: I used Herbine in my family for six years, and find it does all it claims to do." Sold by G. M. Ramsey.

Hunting For Trouble

"I have lived in California for 20 years, and am still hunting for trouble in the way of burns, sores, wounds, boils, cuts, sprains, or a case of piles that Bucklen's Arnica Salve won't quickly cure; writes Charles Walters, of Allegany, Sierra Co. No use hunting, Mr. Walters; it cures every case, Guaranteed at G. M. Ramsey's drug store. 25c

A Stitch in Time.

will save nine. So will a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup always kept on hand save many a spell of sickness. A sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis and Whooping Cough. Mrs. S. Hot Springs, Ark., writes: "I keep a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup in my medicine chest, and thank my forethought many times. It has prevented many severe spells of sickness." Sold by G. M. Ramsey.

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Notice of Marshal's Sale

United States of America

Southern District ss

Of Indian Territory

Public notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of sale, (or execution) dated January 9th A. D. 1907, issued out of the district court, of the United States for the Southern district, of Indian Territory at Ada on a judgment rendered in said court, on the fourth day of October, A. D. 1906, in favor of J. M. Bruner, and against Harry Bowler.

I have on this 5th day of February, 1907, levied upon the following described real estate, situated in the city of Ada, Ind. Ter., to-wit:

I. t. No. 10, No. 11 and No. 12, in Block No. 49, in the city of Ada, I. T., with all the improvements thereon to satisfy a vendor's lien of two hundred and fifty dollars interest and cost.

And that I will, accordingly, offer said real estate for sale, at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, on a credit of three months, the purchaser giving good and sufficient security, on the 28th day of February, A. D. 1907, said sale to be made subject to all payments due the United States and on behalf of the Chickasaw and Choctaw tribe of Indians, from townsite sales, at Noon M., in front of the court house at Ada, Ind. Ter.

Dated, Ada, Ind. Ter. February 5th, A. D. 1907.

G. A. Porter, U. S. Marshal, Southern District of Indian Ter.

By T. E. Brents, Deputy.

Railroad Notes

Spick and span, two new engines for the Oklahoma Central railroad passed through Muskogee yesterday. The engines caused much favorable comment among engine men here, who say they are splendidly built, and of good tonnage.

Muskogee, Wetumka, Wewoka, Pauls Valley, Ada, Shawnee and Lawton all stand a good show to get the Kansas City Oklahoma & Pacific railroad which is to run from Kansas City to San Diego, Cal. The construction contracts have all been let, and it is announced that work will begin at an early date. The new road as surveyed runs through some of the best farming lands in the new state.—Muskogee Phoenix.

Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 18.—The Kansas City, Lawton and Pacific railway company has filed with Territorial Secretary Filson a mortgage for \$6,250 in favor of the Union and Planters' Bank and Trust company of Memphis, Tenn., on the road which is to be built from Muskogee via Beggs, Hampton and Ada to Lawton, and from Dustin via Wetumka to Wewoka.

Lehigh, I. T., Feb. 18.—The Oklahoma Central has received three large freight engines. These engines are of the largest size and are from the Baldwin works. The road now has nine engines in commission, and is pushing construction work as fast as double forces can accomplish it. Work on the Paris extension from Lehigh will begin within thirty days.

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On and after February 1, 1907, we will sell strictly for cash. No credit will be given anyone and it will be useless to ask for it. We are compelled to resort to this mode of business on account of the fact that we are unable to collect on accounts. Our aim will be to supply you with the best meats at a lower price than we are now asking. Phone 75

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Our window is chock full. Rival the semi-barbarous Australians in your own home. Sets for 3 and 5 dollars. THE BRIST BOOMERANG, the wonder of the age. Price 25c, 35c and 50c. Rakaks 50c.



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Fig Caramels
Cream Dates
Peach Stones
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Tablets, both for pencil and ink, ruled and unruled 5c
Western linen tablets, the popular cloth finish paper 10c
Highland linen bond tablets, of Eston Hurlburt manufacture.... 15c

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Ladies' golf gloves 25c and 50c. Black cashmere gloves 25c

Men's Gloves. We would like to emphasize the good values we give for 75c and \$1.00. Also sell any size plain duck gloves for 10c a pair or 3 pairs 25c.

Come here for your household and kitchen supplies. We sell everything in Tinware, Granite-ware, Shelf Hardware, Queensware Glassware, and montany

CONDENM AND DEFEND THE UNWRITTEN LAW

TWO SIDES OF THE QUESTION

Man and Woman, Prominent in Public Life, State Their Views on Subject at Present of Much Prominence—The Right to Defend the Integrity of Family Life Is One of the Pleas Made—Only Punishment to Fit the Crime.

BY JOAQUIN MILLER.

A woman, good or bad, shot a man good or bad, in his hotel in our national capital, the other day. She stands, she says, "intrenched behind the 'unwritten law.'" She claims to have chased this man from Utah to Washington and shot him to death in his hotel, because he refused to provide for her and her two children; that she has twice been made a mother; that one of the children bears his name.

We have, up to date, been pretty tolerant of the woman who takes a babe on one arm and a pistol in the other hand and pursues a man to his death. But when there are two children, as in this case, one may well ponder a bit before he gives her the tears and tenderness so generously given to the guileless, misguided girl.

Like Highwayman's Act.

A woman cannot well come into court with a family of children and plead seduction and betrayal, as a girl too often does, and have the sympathy of both men and women. This woman's statement is that she asked the man either to marry her or give her money to support her children. He said "No I will not," and with that she shot him to death, or, at least, did her best to kill him on the spot. Truly and bluntly she shot him down in his hotel for refusing to give her money. The difference between this act and that of the ordinary burglar or highwayman is not very distinct.

Her declaration that the world will see the justification of her act is as the declaration of an insane woman. And this must be, as you will see, is her only excuse; and it will be pleaded so soon as a lawyer can be found to take care of her, her only defense. Yet there will be many ready to say "served him just right," will say it without waiting to hear one single word of the other side. Sitting at a table today, some one read the woman's statement, wherein she supplemented the story of the attempted murder with the assertion that she "had not one cent." Whereupon a beautiful lady of more than ordinary culture and knowledge of the world was moved to tears and sighed: "Not one cent, think of it!" But a hardened man, a husband and father with a family of daughters, sighed from the other end of the table: "Ah, my dear, there are others who have not a cent if we are to allow all those who have not a cent to set out and chase those down who happen to have a cent or two where will that sort of plea lead us?"

Victim's Morals Irrelevant.

As said before, as to whether this is a good or bad man, high or low, rich or poor, or whether the woman is either, neither, or all of these, does not figure at all in this dismal and pitiful case. Can a woman leave her children behind her and choose a man thousands of miles, and then when she murders him put as her last excuse the fact that she has not

Count up on your fingers, if you can do it on both hands, how many cases of this "unwritten law" idea have been conspicuous since the silly and insolent young idler in the Tombs began to exploit his defense for shooting a useful and industrious man in the back. Why, right in the column next to the ugly account of the "woman without a cent," who left her babes behind to travel for days and nights to kill a man, you read of a woman killing a doctor and pleading in justification "unwritten law." Pity her? Yes. But put her quietly in some good asylum, and, above all, don't exploit her as you have the young lunatic in the Tombs, who enjoys being exploited. For see what comes of it all. The most piteous case of this character took place stone's throw from the White House, in front of the old house where the assassins tried to kill Seward the night Lincoln was murdered. But it took place quite a dozen years before the fatal night at Ford's theater. A young politician of great promise, and, too, of subsequent great achievement, was living with his notably young wife on that same side of the square. A great iron fence enclosed the square at that time. Had it not been for that fence its retreating victim might have fled and escaped.

Two Cultured Victims.

Both the young men in this very first "unwritten law" tragedy were men of fortune, culture and position. One, the son of a poet who wrote "The Star Spangled Banner," the other a member of congress from New York and equally conspicuous and respected. The member of congress, seeing the other leave his home and wave a handkerchief back to his young wife, leaning out of the window, confronted him there by the iron fence in front of his door and telling him of his shame and that he must die, followed him up and shot him to death. I was reading law at the time of the trial and followed the case closely. I remember reading with surprise the plea, not of the advocate, but the plan of the judge for the prisoner. I recall how one of the jurors, the oldest of them all, going down on his knees in a corner of the jury room, prayed long and loud for the divine guidance in holding the hearthstone sacred.

The man was acquitted, partly because it was made to appear that he really loved his wife, but mainly because the victim had by his acts and some foolish admission to a friend, made it appear that he had no real heart in the affair, but rather gloried in his crime. It is to be admitted that the hearts of all, both women and men, were with the wronged man, especially when he again took the frail woman to his heart and lived the life of a good husband till death took her from him.

Lines By C. H. Webb.

As an example of the unexampled pity for both parties to the tragedy let me quote a few lines written at the time by C. H. Webb, of New York,

Recent Cases Involving the So-Called "Unwritten Law"

Mrs. Anna Bradley

Mrs. Angie Birdsong

Amasa C. Campbell

Lucille McLeod

Harry K. Thaw

Nan Patterson

almost anything. But I defy you to find anything like this "unwritten law" in all the lessons, laws, precepts and examples to be found between the lids of the Book of Books. I forgive you yet us live by the sacred decalogue. There is all the law. Accept the sermon on the mount, the holy lesson of our Savior, who prayed, "Forgive us, as we forgive others."

"Unwritten Law" is New.

It may be well enough for those who care to entertain any sort of patience with the "unwritten law" please to understand distinctly that it is entirely of mushroom growth and character. Think of Draco or Lycurgus entertaining such absurdities. You will see nothing of the sort even hinted at in Justinian's code. Coke upon Littleton, no commentator, ancient or modern, ever mentioned anything of the sort. The law was the law, that was all. Blackstone was a brave, bright poet, a sentimentalist as well as mighty expounder of the law. But surely he would have laughed in the face of any advocate who might have dared to talk to him of the "unwritten law." There is literally nothing of the sort outside of America, and there is really nothing of the sort here except a sort of subterfuge for law, used by demagogues. And the sin of it all is the misleading of silly people who mock at the laws that have cost so much toll and are costing so much to maintain them—



cranks seeking notoriety through the

fortunate as to have brothers, but the reply was that seldom was there

newspapers.

And oh, the pity of it! Pity for living and dead! But pity most for this

deadly disease spreading over the land

like a plague, which laughs at the

decalogue, the holy lessons and the

life and death of Jesus Christ, invoking the hideous and defiant plea

of "the higher law."

Two Noted Tragedies.

Who that reads the recent trial of Gillette for the murder of his victim can forget the coolness with which he claimed he said: "Tell your father: if you don't, I will." There comes a

mental picture of that father and what swift vengeance he would have meted out to the destroyer of his child." Was Gillette such a degenerate that to him the unwritten law had no meaning, or was he merely talking for effect?

The unwritten law which says "Vengeance is mine," is no excuse for the disgraceful broils of the degenerate man and woman who find their only pleasure in dissipation. The man who despises innocence himself—who gives his name and his protection to a woman whose life has been like unto his own, is not in any sense the defender of what the home stands for. His sense of moral obligation for himself is too blunted to fit him to judge of the transgressions of another. He is himself an outlaw when judged by the standards of common morality. His propensity to shoot is the result of a heated brain, or the lack of brains.

No woman, no man, is safe with such a creature at large.

Let us add to the unwritten law another section: "Let there be no indulgence against the chastity of woman, but only straightforward statements with page and verse," and the violator of this law shall be placarded: "This person took away the good name of another without cause," and walk the streets in shame.

But the law does not deal with the family as a unit. Every student of sociology knows that the homes of the commonwealth are its real cornerstones, but the law does not so recognize it. It is the one institution still left to the defense of the head of the family. In the very nature of things, there is always a woman in the case. If the crime is against her personally, if she be over the age of 16, what remedy does the law give her?

A young woman went into a city to support herself, unarmed, inexperienced; her faith and her affections found an unworthy object. Too late, she found the man was already married, and in a wild moment she shot him fatally. If the man had boldly

"Protect my innocence or I fall into the trap that is laid for me."

YOUTH ASSUMES THE ROLE OF HERO.

PLACES TIES ON TRACK, THEN FLAGS TRAIN.

TELLS TALE OF BANDITS

Chicago Boy's Scheme to Get Free Ride and Reward Fails to End According to Programme—Wreck Narrowly Averted.

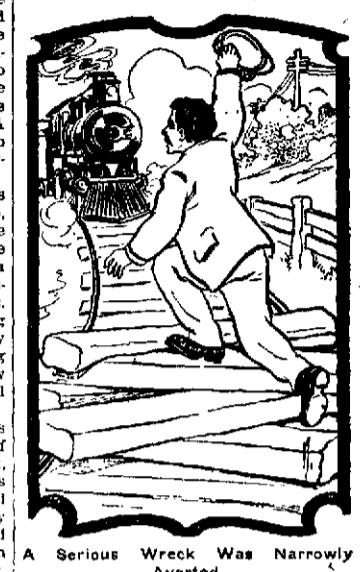
the trainmen. Grady was suspicious that all was not right, and he continued to question the boy on all points. Finally Daus became confused and his descriptions of the alleged train wreckers varied considerably.

The alleged robbers had 44-caliber Colt's revolvers, Daus asserted.

"How did you know they were forty-four?" demanded Grady.

"Well, they looked big enough to be forty-four," the youth replied, sul-lily.

Grady then accused the boy outright of placing the ties on the tracks. Daus denied this at first, but after



A Serious Wreck Was Narrowly Averted.

becoming hopelessly confused in relating the details, he finally confessed that the work at the bridge was done by him.

When closely questioned as to his reason, the boy said he was on his way back to Chicago and wished to ride. He said he had seen a moving picture exhibit of train wrecks, and the idea came to him to flag a train and maybe get a ride to Chicago and some money as his reward.

Daus admitted that he did not know the time of the trains and merely took a chance that the first train along would come from the south.

"What if a passenger train had come from the north?" Grady asked. "The whole train would have been wrecked and gone down the creek."

"Say! They would have been up against it, wouldn't they?" said Daus in an interested manner.

TEXAN'S TUSSE WITH A MADDOCKED BLACK BEAR

Range Rider Shut Off Animal's Wind with Lariat, Then Cuts Its Throat.

Kansas City.—Jim Gordon, a range rider for W. W. Wilkins, whose big ranch is over near Howard Wells, in western Texas, was much surprised the other morning to see a large black bear lumbering along ahead of him. It was in a rough locality, and



He Deftly Circled the Noose Over Bruin's Head.

the bear was evidently out to get its morning meal of sotol roots.

Gordon stuck his rails into his horse and took after the bear. The chase did not last long. Gordon unloosened his rope, which was coiled over the pommel of his saddle, and when he got within throwing distance of the sleeping bear he deftly circled the noose over the animal's head. The cow pony sat back upon its haunches and drew the rope taut. The bear got one of its paws underneath the noose and prevented the rope from choking it. Then began a struggle that lasted for more than an hour.

Ordinarily a horse is desperately afraid of a bear, but the cow pony which Gordon was riding stood the ordeal fearlessly. It maintained its position while Gordon dismounted

with a view of attacking the bear at close quarters with his knife. He had no other weapon. The bear put up a hard fight the moment it saw Gordon on the ground. It rushed at him and struck him a terrific blow on the shoulder which sent him sprawling several feet away and out of reach of the maddened animal, which was confined to a prescribed circle of the rope.

Strange to say, the bear made no attack upon the horse. It seemed to consider Gordon responsible for the whole trouble. Gordon determined to kill the animal before he left the spot. He made several ineffectual efforts to dash in on the bear and give it a blow with his knife, but each time he was struck by the animal's paw. Finally he got hold of the rope and by a sudden pull managed to tighten the noose so that the bear's wind was temporarily shut off.

Taking advantage of the moment, Gordon rushed in and cut the jugular vein of the animal with his knife. He loaded the bear upon his horse and brought it to the ranch house.

HALF BEAR AND HALF DOG.

Strange Looking Freak of Nature is Found in Nebraska.

Kansas City, Mo.—Half bear, half dog, a remarkable prodigy of nature, has been found in Nebraska by J. Pinster. It is the only known example of the crossing of the dog and bear families, hitherto considered by zoologists as distinct and separate that they could not possibly be brought together.

The creature is now 11 months old and weighs about 35 pounds, but looks much heavier. At first sight the animal gives the impression of a peculiar kind of dog, although on closer examination the bear peculiarities are more evident.

The ears are long and drooping, like those of a spaniel, the tail is also that of a spaniel. The eyes are larger and have the mild, doglike expression. A bear has short, upstanding ears, a tail never more than a couple of inches long.

But the bear hump is very plain above the hindquarters. The legs are bear paws, thick as a man's arm and short, with pads that will in time make an impression similar to the human foot, and the claws are long. Teddy has never been heard to bark, but will occasionally give a modest bear's growl. In habits he is more like a bear than a dog, lying down on his side like brin instead of upright as is the fashion in the canine world.

a cent? Surely any one not entirely insane should have saved the price of the fare for her children "Unwritten law," indeed! There is a weak and foolish fop in New York who has kept the press busy for half a year guessing whether he will plead in defense of cowardly murder, when he slipped up and shot a brilliant man of brains and achievement in the back, this same "unwritten law" or simply emotional insanity.

Now, have we not had about enough of this "unwritten law" nonsense? Who will be the next man or woman to shoot someone in the back or belly, and plead the "unwritten law"? I say and you know that had it not been for the noisy and foolish fop in the Tombs with his plea about the "unwritten law" this poor woman out of the far west would be at home today with her children and her victim on his feet about his business.

son of a prominent politician of the time, and our minister to Mexico: This for the wronged member of congress:

Blood on his hands,
A stain on his bed;
Pity them all—
Living and dead.

And this is for the handsome and dashing betrayer:

Billows of sand
Swell o'er his breast
Pleasing with Goli—
There let him rest.

Sentiment is noble and inspiring

I have no use for either man or woman without deep and sincere sentiment and sympathy in all things. But you search the Bible in vain for anything like this "unwritten law" disease.

There are those who tell you that you can find anything you want to find in the Bible. And, true, you can find many strange things. You can find